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SUBJECT: LABOR'S REACTIONS TO BUDGET

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS (CLC) WAS
PREDICTABLY DISAPPOINTED THAT BUDGET PRESENTED MARCH 31
DID NOT CONTAIN GREATER STIMULATION OF ECONOMY TO COMBAT
UNEMPLOYMENT BUT RESTRAINED ITS CRITICISM BECAUSE
DOOR HAS NOT BEEN CLOSED TO EARLY END OF CONTROLS.
END SUMMARY.

2. IN PUBLIC STATEMENT, CLC PRESIDENT MORRIS SAID
"OVER EMPHASIS ON INVESTMENT INCENTIVES WILL DO NOTHING
TO INCREASE CONSUMPTION DEMAND AND PICK UP EXISTING
SLACK IN ECONOMY. IT IS UNLIKELY THAT CAPITAL
INVESTMENT NECESSARY TO ALLEVIATE BURDEN OF UNEMPLOYMENT
WILL BE FORTHCOMING." CLC NOTED FURTHER THAT
ADDITIONAL \$100 MILLION FOR DIRECT JOB CREATION
(FOR \$458 MILLION TOTAL) WILL AT BEST PROVIDE 50,000
JOBS WITHIN A YEAR WHICH IS "A PITIFUL GESTURE" IN
VIEW OF ALMOST ONE MILLION UNEMPLOYED.

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3. IN RESPONSE TO AN EARLIER STATEMENT BY RETIRING
CANADIAN STEELWORKER DIRECTOR MAHONEY (WHO IS HOPING
FOR A SENATE APPOINTMENT) THAT LABOR WILL TEMPER ITS
WAGE DEMANDS ONCE CONTROLS ARE LIFTED, CLC PRESIDENT
MORRIS REITERATED EMPHATICALLY THAT NEITHER LABOR NOR
BUSINESS MADE ANY COMMITMENTS REGARDING VOLUNTARY
RESTRAINTS IN EXCHANGE FOR LIFTING CONTROLS DURING

THEIR RECENT MEETING WITH THE PRIME MINISTER.

4. IN PRIVATE CONVERSATION WITH LABATT, MORRIS
STATED THAT MACDONALD'S BUDGET SPEECH DID NOT FORECLOSE
POSSIBLE EARLY END TO CONTROLS AND CLC IS PREPARED TO
CONTINUE THREE WAY DISCUSSIONS. WHILE CLC WOULD NOT
OR INDEED COULD NOT COMMIT ITS AFFILIATES TO A SPECIFIC
RESTRAINT TARGET, LABOR'S CONCERN WITH UNEMPLOYMENT
AND THE EFFECTS OF THE ECONOMY ON COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING WILL "AUTOMATICALLY DAMPEN UNREASONABLE
EXPECTATIONS". ENDERS

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